Use of active contents in Detergent Powders

1216. SHRI M. VINCENT:
SHRI RAJUBHAI A. PARMAR.

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the quantum of increase in the consumption of synthetic detergent powders and cakes in the country in he last five years

(b) what is the minimum active content required in the synthetic detergent powders and cakes; and

(c) what provision has been made through ISI or any other mechanism to ensure the minimum use of active content in the manufacture of synthetic detergent powders and cakes with a view to protecting the interest of the consumer?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (PROF. SHAKEELUR REHMAN): (a) The growth of consumption of detergent powder and cakes in the country in the last five years is as under:

Year	Actual Demand (figures in thousand tons)	Percentage growth previous year
1986	680	2.1
1987	800	2.1
1988	915	14.3
1989	1050	14.7
1990	1175	11.9

(b) It is approximately in the yards of 10 per cent to 18 per cent.

(c) Approvals for the manufacture of synthetic detergents conforming to Indian standards only are being granted.

Import by ONGC

1217. SHRI VIREN J. SHAH: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total value in rupees and in foreign exchange of goods imported by ONGC during 1989-90;

(b) what are the three major imported items along with the value of each during 1989-90,

(c) what steps have been taken so far to encourage production of such items in India; and

(d) what have been the results thereof so far?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA): (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Low production of Crude Oil

1218 SHRI VIREN J. SHAH:
SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state

(a) what is India's annual oil production percentage of the balance recoverable reserves as mentioned in the Petroleum Encyclopaedia, a U.S based publication;